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REMARKS:

REMARKS REGARDING CLAIMS AMENDMENTS:

The above noted amendments to the claims have been made so that the scope and language of the claims is more precise and clear in defining what the Applicant considers to be the invention. Specifically, claim 5 has been amended to recite the compounds as being a 1,2-diaminopropane compound as shown in the general molecular formula.

Support for the above amendments to the claims can be found in the original specification as filed. The claims and amended claims are submitted as being clearly distinct and patentable over the art of record and therefore their entry and allowance by the Examiner is requested.



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IN RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION:

First Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph:

Claim 5 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite and filing to particularly point out the Applicant's invention.

In response, claim 5 has been amended so as to the specific concerns indicated by the Examiner in the Office Action.

Applicant submits that the above amendments obviate the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph and thus ask that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection of the claims and indicate their allowance in the next paper from the Office.

The undersigned representative requests any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application.

The undersigned representative authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2508, referencing Order No. 11836.0582.CPUS02.

In order to facilitate the resolution of any issues or questions presented by this paper, the Examiner should directly contact the undersigned by phone to further the discussion.

Respectfully submitted,

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